The statutory rules relating to the Madras Educational Service and the Madras Educational Subordinate Service have been amended recently so as to make it clear that qualified and suitable candidates belonging to the Muslim community shall, if available, be selected for appointment as teachers in schools intended for Muslims.

Teaching staff of the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women, Kurnool.

* 531 *Q.*—S. M. K. Beyabani Sahib Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of secondary grade posts sanctioned for the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women at Kurnool;

(*b*) how many are working at present and what their qualifications are;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that one post has recently been reduced; if so, what the reasons are;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that a full-blown higher grade elementary school with eighth standard is attached to the Training school;

(*e*) whether it is a fact that lower grade elementary trained teachers are teaching in the higher standards; and

(*f*) whether the Government have taken any steps to secure the services of qualified teachers for the above school?

A.—(*a*) Ten.

(*b*) Nine teachers. One is a secondary grade trained teacher, three are trained teachers of the higher elementary grade and four of the lower elementary grade and one is a combined drawing and sewing mistress who has passed the Government technical examination in embroidery in the intermediate grade and who possesses also the trained teacher's certificate of the lower elementary grade.

(*c*) The post of physical training instructress is left unfilled as there is no qualified lady available.

(*d*) & (*e*) Yes.

(*f*) Yes. Muhammadan women teachers with the prescribed qualifications are not available.

Inadequacy of the conveyance facilities provided to pupils by the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women, Bellary.

* 532 *Q.*—S. M. K. Beyabani Sahib Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a higher grade elementary girls' school is attached to the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women in Cowl Bazaar at Bellary;